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DECATUR, ILLINOIS.
Saturday Evening, July 14.

The convention for the revision of the state constitution of Georgia is now in session at Atlanta. Ex-Governor Jenkins has been chosen president. In his opening address he said one of the most powerful reasons for changing the constitution was the manner in which it was made and the men who made it. The temporary chairman said: "I call attention to the fact that the constitution under which we are now living—and is only called constitution from courtesy—declares us rebels. I don't object to the term, George Washington for a long time was designated as a rebel." Ex-Governor Jenkins said the colored man should have none of his rights impaired. He is now a citizen, and should therefore be respected as such.

The editor of the Battle Creek (Mich.) Tribune is in Europe, and writes as follows about the sale of Chicago beef in London:

It is amusing to witness the indications of suspicion and incredulity of the people in regard to American meats. The other day we attended the market, and there was a sharp, talkative Englishman selling (Chicago) hams, shoulders and bacon. He cut the most insipid piece weighing from two to four pounds each, and disposed of it at 6d., 6d. and 7d. per pound (about 10, 12, and 14 cents our money), according to the value of the cut. His stand was surrounded during the entire afternoon by men and women, both of the town and from the rural districts. Those who were inclined to risk the purchase of a piece of Yankee meat "recoiled" at the entire situation before doing so. The meat was picked up, the nasal organ was invoked and it was critically examined with the eye. Our left hand and general working apparel denoted that we were a stranger; the people suspected that we were American. In conversation with several, the inquiry was made if "that meat was put up in America?" "Is it fit to eat?" "It is not well blackened"—smoked. They were informed that it was as good meat as England was capable of producing. It is sold here at from 5 to 6 cents per pound less than the home article.

GOVERNOR CHAMBERLAIN, in his Woodstock speech, acknowledged that he was the author of the third resolution of the Cincinnati platform. The Albany Journal explains that the sub-committee of the committee on resolutions assigned to Governor Chamberlain the duty of drafting the declaration on the Southern question. One clause of the resolution, as presented by Gov. Chamberlain, read: "And we declare it to be the solemn obligation of the legislative and executive departments of the government to put into immediate and vigorous exercise their constitutional powers for removing any just cause of discontent on the part of our political opponents." This was understood to allude to that class of abuses which Mr. Chamberlain had endeavored to correct in South Carolina, and was a bid for the votes of that class of democrats who were fellowshiping at that time with him. The member of the sub-committee from New York suggested that the phrase "just cause of discontent on the part of our political opponents" was liable to misinterpretation, and asked that it be changed to read "just causes of discontent on the part of any class." Governor Chamberlain accepted the suggestion, and made the change. In giving this little bit of history the Journal does not aim to make a point against Governor Chamberlain, but to throw light on the spirit in which the resolution was written.

The Hon. Wm. E. Nelson, candidate for circuit judge of this district, called last week. He made many acquaintances in the city, and left a very favorable impression. He is undoubtedly the ablest man in the field for the position. —Hoopston Chronicle.

The worst enemy Ireland ever had has appeared in Dublin. It is the potato bug. This tourist from Colorado seems bound to "do" Europe, and has struck an omelet. A second St. Patrick will be handy for Erin if he can drive out the bug.

The Treasury Department has gallantly come to the aid of modest capitalists by volunteering to take abandoned gold coin on subscriptions to the four per cent. loan. Those of you who are wearing out your pockets and your eagles can find relief at the hands of the sub-Treasurer.

GERMANY has adopted a cheap plan of doing away with the petty sovereign business. The Duke of Edinburgh, as second son of Queen Victoria, is the heir to his uncle, the reigning Duke of Saxo-Coburg-Gotha, as Duke Ernest is childless. The young Englishman does not want to live in the little realm which would fall to his lot, and has made a thrifty bargain with the German government to sell all his rights. It is said that he gets the interest upon a fund of four hundred thousand pounds sterling. If the Emperor can afford it we fancy His Highness of Edinburgh can be content to sacrifice a petty sovereignty for so much money.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

July Regular Term, 1877.

STATE OF ILLINOIS,

Macon county,

Board of Supervisors of Macon county

in session for the transaction of county business at the court-house, in the city of Decatur, in said county, on Monday, the 9th day of July, A. D. 1877.

Court opened by proclamation, Hon. R. H. Woodcock in the chair.

Present—Henry W. Waggoner, clerk, and M. Foremyer, sheriff. The following Supervisors were present and answered to their names: Brown, Brennenman, Dill, Edgar, Grason, Hoyt, House, Hawkyard, Longstreet, Lehman, Rosenkrantz, Ruddock, Roberts, Ward and Wallace. Absent, Supr. Davis, Kyker and Murray.

The proceedings of the last two days of the June term were read and approved.

The report of the special committee appointed at the last meeting of this Board to procure an abstract of fines assessed, etc., was received and ordered recorded.

Your committee report that they employed E. McClellan, Circuit Clerk, to make an abstract of the fines not collected since last abstract was made, and also to report amount paid since last report; which abstract, so made by said McClellan, is herewith presented to the Board.

The committee appointed to contract for the publishing of the proceedings of the Board for one year, made the following report, which was approved by the Board and the committee discharged:

To the Board of Supervisors of Macon county: Your committee appointed at the last meeting of the Board to contract for the publishing of the proceedings of the Board for the ensuing year, beg leave to submit that they have contracted with the three parties published in Decatur, viz: The Decatur Republican, Democratic and Decatur Local Review, at the rate of \$50 each.

D. W. BRENNEMAN.

J. W. BROWN.

The committee of Equalization made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Board of Supervisors of Macon county: Your committee on equalization of taxes having examined the abstract of the Assessor's books of the different towns in the county for the year 1877, and would report in favor of the following additions and deductions to land and personal property in the following named towns, viz:

Town of Blue Mound, 10 per cent. added to value of lands.

Harristown, 15 per cent. added to value of lands.

Pleasant View, 15 per cent. added to value of lands.

Macdon, 15 per cent. added to value of lands.

Friends Creek, 15 per cent. added to value of lands.

Mt. Zion, 15 per cent. added to value of lands.

Hickory Point, 15 per cent. deducted from value of lands.

Hill, 15 per cent. deducted from value of lands.

Austin, 10 per cent. deducted from value of lands.

Milam, 5 per cent. deducted from value of lands.

Whitmore, 10 per cent. deducted from value of lands.

South Wheeland, 10 per cent. deducted from value of lands.

Illio, 10 per cent. deducted from value of lands.

Niantic, 15 per cent. deducted from value of lands.

Friends Creek, 20 per cent. deducted from value of lands.

Whitmore, 10 per cent. deducted from value of lands.

Austin, 10 per cent. deducted from value of lands.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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necessity of a safe for the sheriff's office, beg leave to report that they deemed it advisable and for the interest of the county that there should be a good fire-proof safe placed in the sheriff's office; to that end we contracted with Messrs. McNeil & Underhagen, of Cincinnati, Ohio, for a suitable safe for the office at a cost of \$200, delivered on the cars at Decatur. A. A. MURRAY, Chairman.

On motion of Supr. Grason the chair was instructed to appoint a committee to look after the appropriation made by the county for the purpose of repairing the iron bridge north of Oakley, and also the iron bridge—both of said bridges being, partly in the towns of Oakley and Whitmore. The chair appointed as said committee Suprs. Grason and Ruddock.

The special committee appointed to make a sale of the county lot, make the following report, which the Board approved:

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors of Macon county: Your committee appointed at the last meeting of the Board to make sale of the county lot, beg leave to report that in accordance with their instructions they contracted to sell to Frank Priest the said lot for the sum of \$4,000 upon the following terms: Five hundred dollars to be paid annually, bearing 6 per cent. interest—the interest to be paid in advance, and any failure to pay said principal or interest as the same becomes due and payable, shall have the effect to render the principal and interest immediately due and payable, and the amount paid shall be forfeited to the county.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. GRASON,
D. W. BRENNEMAN.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Macon county:

Your committee on poor farm and paupers, to whom was referred sundry accounts against the county, having had the same under advisement, beg leave to report that they have examined the following claims and recommended the payment of the same, and that the clerk be authorized to draw warrants on the treasurer in payment thereof:

Drs. Small and Chenoweth, medical and surgical attention to O. Thomas, \$200, allowed, \$50; Henry Holmes, nursing and bedding destroyed, \$75.75; S. L. Payge, nursing O. Thomas, 35 nights, \$37.50; Calvin Fletcher, do, 10 nights, \$15; Drs. King and Small, post mortem examination on the body of S. Dayclius, \$30; Linn & Sprague, goods for paupers, per orders, \$20.91; Skelly & Co., goods for poor farm, per order, \$17.44; V. Barber & Co., shoes for paupers, \$37.75; J. N. Keeler, for coffin, \$3; S. R. Gier, goods for paupers, \$0.35; Jones & Bro., do, \$10.50; Newman & Hammer, goods for poor farm, \$35.23; Solberling & Bro., do, \$10; M. G. Steinhilber, do, \$25.00; Nettomann & Jacobson, do, \$6.00; Western Coal Co., coal for poor farm, \$42.35; D. S. Shellenbarger, fuel, \$46.25; John Roskrow, hay, \$36.60; E. A. Jones, for coal, \$1.00; Wm. Brown, money advanced for care of paupers, \$8; Wm. Grason, services looking after paupers, \$15; R. L. Walston, surgical operation for pauper boy, \$25; D. L. Hughes, balance of account for services and attention to paupers, \$5, rejected.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Macon county:

Your committee on miscellaneous claims, to whom was referred sundry accounts against the county, having had the same under advisement, beg leave to report that they have examined the following claims, and recommended the same be allowed, and that the clerk be authorized to draw warrants on the treasurer in payment thereof:

To Sangamon county, for clerk and sheriff's costs, boarding prisoners, etc., in case of The People vs. Adams, \$288.60; E. McClellan, making abstract of fines assessed and collected, \$10; Ill. Printing Co., books, etc., for county, \$180.00; W. R. Kizer, services as bailiff, \$2.50; J. E. Young, do, \$3.50; Jeremiah Lagre, do, \$11.00.

The committee on public buildings reported in favor of allowing the following claims, and the Board ordered warrants drawn upon the treasurer in payment of the same:

H. Mueller, for repairs at jail and court house, \$31.90; McNeale & Urban, safe for sheriff's office, \$300.

The per diem and mileage of members of the Board of Supervisors was allowed—\$28.00.

Supervisor Ward offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the same committee who made sale of the county lot to Mr. Frank Priest, close the same by executing to said Priest a bond for a deed, upon the terms mentioned in their report of the sale, and that they receive from him the notes.

On motion of Supervisor Brennenman the Board adjourned until Tuesday, Sept. 11, 1877, at 1 o'clock, P. M.

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TELEGRAPHIC

WAR NEWS.

RUSSIAN REVERSES

Latest from Washington.

Complaint of General Howard's Inefficiency.

Creek Likely to Succeed Him.

A Lively Fight Over a Judgeship.

LONDON, July 13.—A Paris correspondent says, dated Friday evening: I have just heard on good authority, that the Russians have been attacked simultaneously by Osman Pasha at Ploema, and by Ahmed Ruyub Pasha at Monaster. The fighting lasted all of Thursday and Friday. The Turks are getting the advantage.

A Bucharest correspondent says, under date of Friday night: Rumors are afloat here that serious, but as yet undecided fighting is going on in the neighborhood of Biela.

A Simetza dispatch, dated July 10, records another serious break down of bridges. A storm caused some iron pontoons to fill and sink. There is one small gap and one of about 100 yards. Repairs will occupy at least one whole day.

Vienna advises state that the reserves of Cosackes, consisting of twenty regiments and ten batteries, are preparing to follow the 12,000 men who have already marched from Saratoy for Armenia. When ready, the army will take direct route to Erzerum.

WASHINGTON, July 13.—It is stated at the Post Office Department that Postmaster Filley, of St. Louis has absolutely refused to resign, either his Postmastership or his political connections.

John M. Langston, the colored politician, will go to Hayti in October, provided he is confirmed as Minister to that country by the Senate. There were many other colored applicants for this place, and some of them very strongly backed.

The Indian hostilities in the Northwest have caused considerable excitement at the war department and at the White House. McDowell's dispatch, informing the department of the weak condition of the army in Oregon, was read at the cabinet meeting, and although Secretary McCrary was absent, it was decided that the necessity was so urgent that McDowell should be authorized to enlist 500 volunteers to serve until regular army reinforcements have been forwarded from this side of the Rocky Mountains. Several companies of troops started from Atlanta, Ga. today, under orders to go to San Francisco.

To-night there is a report that Howard's inefficiency has led the administration to consider the advisability of suspending him by the appointment of Gen. Crook, in command of the Department of the Columbia. A cabinet officer, when interrogated upon the subject this evening, said that his lips were sealed upon the subject. Secretary McCrary arrived here late to night, having ordered his carriage by telegraph to meet him at the station and take him to the President's house, at the soldiers' home, for the purpose of consulting with the President at once on the situation. It is entirely possible that Howard may be superseded to-morrow.

J. C. G. Kennedy, of this city, to day filed a protest with President Hayes against the removal of John R. Crogan, who, for 12 years, has had charge of the bond vaults of the treasurer's office, and who was discharged on the 30th ult. because he has a brother employed in the treasury. Crogan has at times been the custodian of \$400,000 in bonds, and not a dollar has ever yet stuck to his fingers. When Assistant Secretary McCormack had his attention called to the value of Crogan as an honest efficient public officer, he asked, "Well, can't any other American citizen fill Crogan's place?"

The reply he received was, "Certainly, but here is a man who has made a reputation for honesty thrust aside without good cause, and in these degenerate times honesty in such a position should be rewarded rather than overlooked." It is said that the National Banks, of whose bonds Crogan has been the custodian, are so exasperated over the removal that they have indicated to Secretary Sherman that they will pay his (Crogan's) salary if he is retained to guard their interests in the future as he had done so zealously in the past.

PANA, July 13.—A convention, composed of delegates from the following counties: Sangamon, Macoupin, Shelby, Christian, Montgomery and Fayette, met in Heywood's opera hall today at 11 a. m., and at 9:30 p. m. On the 26th ballot they nominated Wm. R. Welch, of Carlinville, as judge for the fifth judicial circuit. The following committee, one from each county, was selected to call the next judicial convention: E. Southworth, I. O. Essick, W. M. Farmer, W. B. P. Anderson, W. L. Gross and L. B. Stevenson.

LONDON, July 13.—A dispatch from Kara of July 8 says: Yesterday Mukhtar Pasha, with eighteen field and six mountain guns, 600 regular and 3,500 irregular cavalry and thirty battalions of infantry, advanced from Kerkunur to Wahranak, eight miles south of Kara, and this morning Mukhtar Pasha rode in, leaving his forces entrenched at Wahranak. Sir Arnold Kimball, British Military Attaché, also came in, and went over the batteries on the Karidagh redoubt, the easternmost position, where the bombardment has been heaviest.

Yesterday there was very heavy firing on both sides. The Russian headquarters are at Zemin, eight miles to the northeast, but their batteries are advanced to within 1,000 yards of Kara. The Turkish loss during the siege has been trifling. That of the Russians is unknown. Their fire was most accurate, and for some days has been overwhelming. Over 2,000 shells from fifteen and eighteen Centimetre guns were thrown into the place in one day.

Mukhtar Pasha proposes to intrench himself and revictual Kara for the winter. At present it is well supplied with stores and ammunition, and prices are cheaper than in Erzerum.

The appearance of the troops is excellent and their health is good. They are most enthusiastic. The officers seem well educated. The place is almost impregnable.

LONDON, July 13.—A dispatch from Erzerum states that an attempt of the Russians under Gen. Turkukassoff to relieve the besieged garrison at Bayazid has failed, notwithstanding the garrison made a determined sortie. The Russians, after suffering a severe loss, were again defeated. The Turks took many prisoners and six guns.

A Turkish army is to be raised for the defense of the Balkans.

WASHINGTON, July 13.—J. P. Hamilton, secretary of the Kansas republican association called on the president to ascertain whether the civil service rules applied to persons holding in the various state associations. The president asserted that no person in the employ of the government would be allowed to take any part in politics. If the associations were of a social character, there was no objection to their continuance, but politics must be eschewed.

The president distinctly stated that no political services can be rendered by a government employe at any time while he holds such position, even though it does not interfere with his duties, as it is his (the President's) intention to forever divorce politics and the civil service, so far as in him lies the power.

BLOOMINGTON, July 13.—The lawyers of this city, at a meeting to-day, appointed sixteen delegates, without regard to party, to represent McLean county in the eleventh judicial district convention at Chicago, next Tuesday. They are instructed to support James S. Ewing, democrat, for third judgeship. The republicans will send delegates to Gilman on Wednesday, who will probably support Franklin Blodges, of Iroquois.

Everybody Goes to MILLER'S Restaurant.

THE BANKRUPT RAILWAYS.

Pool's Transcript.

The Chicago Railway Age for the present week has an interesting article on the railways which are now in process of sale under foreclosure, or which are tending that way. Since the first of January last, thirty two roads, having an aggregate debt of \$78,710,214, have been sold under foreclosure. Sales have been ordered for fifteen more, with an aggregate debt of \$35,106,500, and receivers have been appointed for sixteen more, with an aggregate debt of \$51,325,592. These debts are exclusive of the capital stock. Adding the capital stock to the bonds and other evidences of debt, a summary of the whole shows as follows:

SUMMARY FROM JANUARY 1 TO JULY 1, 1877.

No.	Capital.	Bonds.	Other.
1	2,500	127,775,728	
2	1,225	109,650,794	
3	15	2,217	111,552,964
4	7,205	420,014,884	
Total	11,945	759,653,376	

These figures show that the winding up process has gone on this year thus far, with area greater rapidity than last year. The Age's table for the entire year of 1876, showed the following deductions:

SUMMARY FOR 1876.

No.	Capital.	Bonds.	Other.
1	30	3,840	\$27,618,000
2	44	1,550	588,830,000
Total	74	11,390	\$755,448,000

It will be seen that the number of roads sold in the first half of 1877 was greater than in the whole of 1876. This fact is evidence that the sale and transfer of the roads, the inevitable result when defaults in the payment of interest begin, is becoming general. There are a number of roads which have been in receiver's hands for a longer or shorter period, but for such a sale has not yet been ordered. Now defaults are, however, growing less frequent, and it looks as if the railroads had got down to hard pan, and under a reconstructed management they will enter upon a new career of prosperity. The great majority of the weak companies have already succumbed, and those that have thus far escaped being forced into the hands of a court, will probably be able to pull through. The last four or five years has probably been more severe upon railway enterprises than upon any other branch of business whatever.

SEE HOW CHEAP

NEW SPRING GOODS

HAYS & BARTHOLOMEW'S.

Decatur, Ill., April 9, 1877—d&wt

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce to the voters of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, composed of the counties of Vermilion, Edgar, Clark, Champaign, DeKalb, Madison, and Macoupin, that the election for the office of Judge of the Circuit Court will be held at the Court House in Decatur, on the first Monday in August next.

CITY DEPARTMENT.

The farmers' holiday.
They celebrate it mostly in the harvest field.
Which shows their good sense.
Talk up the balloon ascension and come down with the stamps.
Dog shouting is mostly played out, as it were.
Go to Niedermeyer's for the best supply of fine glassware.
Nice blackberries at Newell & Hammett's.
Abel & Lorka have a full supply of beautiful goods for window shades and curtains.
H. Post has just received a fresh supply of nice jewelry which he is selling very cheap.
Everything in the line of combs and hair brushes may be found at Armstrong's.
For a fragrant cigar or choice tobacco, go to Bickert & Ballard's. They keep the best.
For your Sunday supplies of meats and vegetables go to C. W. Young's market on Prairie street.
The Snow Refrigerator, sold by J. H. Lewis & Co., is the most satisfactory article of the kind ever sold in this market.
For signs and wonders make the tour of the Merchant street alley.
People from other towns compliment our gravelled streets, and say that they are equal to stone or Nicholson pavement, and when once fairly settled and smooth it will require much less expense to keep them in repair than either of the last named.
Thomas Pennell who removed his green grocery from Cantrell's building to Prefect House block, has a full supply of choice vegetables and fruit.
Among the numerous improvements to private residences which are now in progress, we notice that of Mr. Wm. M. Boyd, near the mound, who is adding another story to his dwelling and other-wise improving it. Mr. J. G. Ferriss is the contractor, and is doing a very nice job. When done the house will be among the best in that part of the city.
For Sale.—A nice mosquito screen for a bed can be had very cheap, by applying at this office.

Removed.—Young Thomas, who has been lying at the American House in a wounded state for some weeks, was on Thursday evening removed to his mother's house, about four miles east of town. He was still improving at the time of leaving, and it is thought by his physicians that he stands a fair chance to recover, though there is still danger of sudden inflammation in the region of the wounds, which may result in death.

No Evening Service.—We understand that at a meeting of the pastors representing most of the churches of the city held this morning, it was agreed to hold no Sunday evening service after to-morrow during the hot season; and we also learn that there will be a service held each Sunday evening during the continuance of this arrangement, under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association, the service to rotate among the different churches.

Lost.—On Friday, July 13, 1877, on Prairie street, between Edward street and the post office, or on West Marion street, a gold bracelet, inscribed with a black wax. The finder will please leave it at this office.

Dry Goods and Millinery will be closed out at Great Bargains, in order to make arrangements for Fall Trade, at
THOMAS A. GERMANN'S.

July 14—dtd

Wanted, fifty boys, from thirteen to sixteen years old, forthwith, by the undersigned, THOMAS A. GERMANN.

July 14—dtd

Remember Ayer's grand excursion to the lake regions on Tuesday, July 17th. Look over the list of places embraced among the points to be visited and mark particularly the exceedingly low rates of fare, from which it will be seen that for attractiveness and moderate expenses the trip cannot be discounted. Decatur will doubtless be well represented.

Lost.—Yesterday, a hairless puppy, very small—has on a chain collar. The finder will be rewarded by leaving him (the pup) at this office.

DIED.

At three o'clock, on the morning of Saturday, July 14th, at the residence of her husband on Prairie street, Mrs. Mary Goodman, wife of Mr. George W. Goodman.

The death of Mrs. G. was very sudden and unexpected to her family. She leaves four small children—one an infant, born but a few hours before her death.

The Best Prints, 10 yards for a dollar, at S. Einstein's.

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As True as Preaching.—The following paragraph, which we find in the Charleston Plaindealer, tells so much truth in a plain way, that we give it, to our readers, and ask the special attention of the voters of the city and country to it, and especially those who have so much to say about "machine politics," "party management," etc. Here is the paragraph:

All of this talk about office-holders and state-makers packing political conventions is an insult to the intelligence of the American people. If men who are candidates for office exercise all their ingenuity in getting their friends to attend a primary convention, and one has a majority, as must be the case in any event, it indicates nothing, except that he has been the most active and has the most friends. This is what is done by all parties, and is no more to be set down against a candidate than the fact that a man, who is engaged in raising a crop of corn, by good management, succeeds in beating his neighbors should be denounced for so doing. Sharp, active, intelligent men, and good workers, are the ones who succeed in politics as well as in other business. When one of the other kind of men is elected he makes no better officer than one who works hard for the place. Force of circumstances sometimes crowd an office upon an unwilling victim, but such cases are exceedingly rare. Americans, be they republicans or democrats, admire the man who has pluck, grit and ability, and a man with these qualifications is sure to beat one of the milk-and-water kind, who are forever behind hand, and whose chief business in life appears to be to hold back in the breach, and flout with their more able and progressive competitors.

We may say in addition to the above that if good men are not put forward as candidates, it is because the better class of the party stay away from preliminary meetings and allow the baser part of the community to control the campaign and conventions.

Leg Broken.—This morning a man by the name of Richard Richards, who is stopping at the American House, got up in his sleep, and going to the window of his room, in the second story of the house, went through it and fell to the sidewalk below, fracturing a bone of one leg between the knee and ankle joint. The subject of the accident was stopping at the American House for the purpose of having his eyes operated upon for cataract, which had been successfully done. Of course his sudden introduction to the sidewalk brought him to his senses, and he aroused a boarder sleeping in the room next to his, who went to his relief, and while preparations were being made to take him into the house, officer Wilkinson came along and rendered timely assistance. The injured man says he was dreaming that he was in a shooting gallery and was trying to get out at the window—and it would seem that he was entirely successful, so far as getting through the window was concerned. The probability is that the result was not a part of his dream, but is a stern and uncomfortable reality. The broken bone was set and the patient is doing well, but to prevent unpleasantness among the doctors the names of operating surgeons are withheld.

Later.—This afternoon the man has become quite crazy, and has been taken back to the county poor farm. He has been insane before, and the doctor thinks that he threw himself from the window when in a fit of insanity, and the shock of the fall brought him to his senses for the time being.

Live Stock Shipments.—It has been generally supposed that the live stock interest in Macon county partook of the general depression noticeable in all other departments of business, but the contrary seems to be true. We are informed that through a single bank in Decatur, that of Millikin & Co., since the first of January last, drafts have passed on sales of live stock in Chicago to an amount exceeding \$160,000. In addition to this live stock business to the amount of about \$115,000 has been done by the same bank in the time mentioned, upon shipments to New York, St. Louis and other points, showing an aggregate of shipments from this county in 6 months, of \$275,000, as represented by a single bank in Decatur. When it is remembered that there are three other banks here, and two more in Macon, through all of which similar stock transactions have been made, the extent of the cattle and hog trade of the county begins to become apparent.

Boy Smothered in an Elevator.—We learn from Mr. W. W. R. Smith the particulars of a sad and fatal accident which occurred yesterday at Tuscola, just before the leaving of the train by which Mr. S. came from that place to this city. It seems that a son of the proprietor of one of the elevators there, a boy about twelve years of age, was playing about the bin while the elevator was in operation, and by some means fell in and was covered with corn. The elevator was stopped at once and the boy taken out, and although he had been there but about five minutes, life was extinct. A galvanic battery was immediately called into use but no effort could produce any effect indicating resuscitation. The mother of the unfortunate lad, who is in a feeble state of health, on learning of the accident, made her way to the place, where she became frantic with grief at the loss of her boy, and her cries could be heard for a long distance. No persuasion could induce her to leave the scene of her misfortune and it became necessary to take her away by force.

He who does not take exercise knows not the pleasure of health, of good appetite, good digestion, free and full respiration, refreshing sleep. To secure the desirable effects of exercise, use the HAZEN-LIST advertised in another column.

THE CHURCHES TO-MORROW.

STAFF'S CHAPEL.

Services at the usual hours. Morning subject: "Gratitude." All are invited.

THE FIRST M. E. CHURCH.

Preaching by the pastor. Subject in the morning: "The Triumph of the Gospel." At night: "The Church the Cornerstone of all Moral Good."

FREBETTERIAN CHURCH.

Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m., by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Prestley. Subject for evening the result and last lecture on the parable of the "Prodigal Son."

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Public worship to-morrow, preaching by the pastor. Subject in the evening: "The Present Time and our Duty to it." The public is invited.

SEATTLE CHURCH.

Services at the usual hours, the pastor, Rev. W. B. Allen, officiating.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Services by the Rector, Stephen H. Granberry. Seats are free and all are invited.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

Services to-morrow morning and evening at the regular hours, Rev. D. P. B. officiating. Seats are free and the public is cordially invited.

Out-Door Meeting.—There will be an out-door meeting held at the Depot, on Sunday evening at 5 p. m., under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. There will be an address to Railroad men.

"A man shall not be established by wickedness."

Y. M. C. A.—Devotional meetings are held in Room No. 1 of the First M. E. Church, west door, every Sunday at 3:15 p. m., lasting one hour. Young men and strangers, we would be specially pleased to have you meet with us, and form your acquaintance. We will do you good. Come.

But the root of the righteous shall not be moved."

Cut them Down.—A vigorous growth of weeds alongside the streets of the city invite the mower's scythe. They should be cut down at once and consigned to the flames. A rank growth of weeds along the streets and alleys of the city, gives the town a slovenly appearance, and as it is a matter that may be very easily corrected, such a nuisance should not be tolerated. Persons may do much toward removing the unsightly growth by cutting alongside their own premises. Where it is not done by private enterprise the city should attend to it. Let there be a united charge on the enemy's works and thousands will fall in a day.

PERSONAL MENTION.

We are sorry to learn that the wife of Mr. Austin, of the firm of Austin & Gault, of Macon, is quite dangerously ill. Dr. R. L. Watson, of this city, was called to see her yesterday in consultation with Dr. Tozer, of that place.

Mr. Cunningham, of the firm of Ham & Cunningham, who was spoken of yesterday as being in a critical condition on account of injuries received some time since, is no better to-day, and his friends entertain grave doubts as to his recovery.

Selling Out.—Mr. W. M. Barrett offers his entire stock of American and Italian Marble, now in stock at his works, on the corner of North Main and Prairie streets, for sale, at greatly reduced prices. Mr. Barrett intends removing to Chicago in a short time, and desires to close out his entire stock immediately. Special inducements are offered to cash buyers, and he will sell his stock entire or in small quantities. Persons desiring anything in Mr. Barrett's line will do well to give him a call and secure bargains.

July 14—dtd

Mosquito Covers, for beds, all styles and prices, at ASHBY'S.

July 13—dtd w3w

New Firm.—D. M. Barnett and J. L. Eastman, having associated themselves together under the firm name of D. M. Barnett & Co., for the purpose of carrying on the grocery business, would respectfully solicit a share of patronage.

With a fresh stock of groceries, we are prepared to supply customers with good goods, and as cheap as any in market. All goods delivered FREE to any part of the city.

July 12—dtd

If you cannot sleep in the night for mosquitoes, and in the morning for flies, call on ASHBY, and he will fix it so you can rest both night and morning, and it will save you the cost in a short time.

July 13 dtd

The president is said to have received the following letter:

BALTIMORE, Thursday.

Mr. Hayes—Honored Sir: The fact of my being a staunch "democrat," and the result of the presidential election going against all my feelings on the subject, I see no other way for me to get an satisfaction than by challenging you to fight in a twenty four foot ring, and may the best man win; and besides, I have got a twenty four pound bull pup that can lick any dog in Washington, give or take a half a pound. If any of the above arrangements fail to meet your acceptance, I've got a benefit at the Central theatre, on the 7th of April and I'd just as soon sell you twenty tickets for \$10 as any other good American citizen. Well, anyhow, I must congratulate your highness on the success you have met with, and the long engagement you have to play. Hoping you will make a good hit, I remain, yours patriotically,

DAN COLLYER.

"THE SURE WITNESS."

"The nineteenth century is the age of novels," remarks a literary historian, "and novel impostors. Stated plainness has been set off on its feet for a new refinement, the forms of fiction for its essence, and speculation for science, until we look askance at every new person or work, and to an assertion of merit, invariably exclaim, 'Prove it!' In brief, Satan has made himself so omnipresent, that we look for his cloven foot everywhere—even in a bottle of medicine. Imagine a lady, having a complexion so pallid that you would deny her claims to the Caucasian type if her features did not conform to it, purchasing her first bottle of the Golden Medical Discovery. The one dollar is paid in the very identical manner in which Mr. Taylor might be expected to purchase a lottery ticket after his experiences with 'No. 104,103,' with this difference, his doubt would be the result of personal experience, while here would be founded on what a certain practitioner (who has been a whole year trying to correct her refractive error) has asserted concerning it. At home, she examines the bottle half suspiciously, tastes its contents carefully, takes her prescribed dose more carefully, and then proceeds to watch the result with as much anxiety as a practitioner would count the pulse-beats of a dying man. She takes another dose, and another, and shows the bottle to her friends, telling them she 'feels better.' Her skin loses its billious tint, her eyes regain their lustre, her accustomed energy returns, and the fact that she purchases another bottle is a sure witness that she has found the Golden Medical Discovery to be a reliable remedy for the disease indicated. The lady wisely resolves that in future her estimate of any medicine will be based upon a personal knowledge of its effects, and not upon what some practitioner (who always makes long bills rhyme with pills) may say of it. Dr. Pierce is in receipt of letters from hundreds of the largest wholesale druggists in the United States stating that at the present time there is a greater demand for the Golden Medical Discovery and Purgative Pills than ever before. In affections of the liver and blood they are unsurpassed.

Think for Yourself.

Thousands lead miserable lives, suffering from dyspepsia, a disordered stomach and liver, producing biliousness, heartburn, constiveness, weakness, irregular appetite, low spirits, making food after eating, and often ending in fatal attacks of fever. They know they are sick, yet get little sympathy. The unfailing remedy, which is yearly restoring thousands is Dr. Pierce's Medical Cure. Sold by A. J. Storer, Decatur, Ill.

A 25c bottle will convince you of its merits. Don't delay another hour after reading this, but go and get a bottle, and your relief is as certain as you live. Will you do it or will you continue to suffer. Think for yourself.

Prof. Parker's Pleasant Worm Syrup is perfectly safe and extremely palatable. No physic required. Costs 25 cents. Try it.

July 1 dtd

GRANT BARGAINS.—Only 15 and 20 cents—worth 25c to \$1.00 per yard.

March 31 dtd

Everything for the Sewing Machine, at the Singer Office.

June 6—dtd

Just received, Rustic Chairs and Settees, for garden and porch, at dtd-w2

Phetons for the Ladies, Fine Horses, perfectly safe, at Caldwell Bros. Eclipse Stables. (May 20 dtd)

Marked Down.—We propose to sell our large spring stock of boots and shoes, at low prices will do it. Try us, and get our prices.

BARNETT & BAKER'S.

May 30 dtd

Go to E. B. Pratt's, 87 North Church street, for your groceries, glass and queensware.

For Rent.—Store room on North Water street, by OVERMIRE & KAUFMAN.

June 10 dtd

DECATUR MARKET REPORT.

DECATUR, July 14, 1877.

RETAIL.

Wheat, per bushel, 1.25

Ham, " " 1.00

Shoulder, " " .75

Potatoes, per bushel, .75

Onions, per bushel, .75

Green beans, " " .75

String beans, " " .75

Green corn, per dozen, .75

New wheat, " " .75

Cucumbers, per dozen, .75

Radishes, " " .75

Turnips, per bushel, .75

Chickens, each, .75

Cabbage, per head, .75

Onion, per gallon, .75

Vinegar, " " .75

Butter, per pound, .75

M. GOLDBURG

NO. 8.

Merchant Street,

(OLD SQUARE)

Decatur, : : Illinois.

Is receiving almost daily, from the Largest Importing House in New York,

Berlin Zephyrs!

CANVAS.

PERFORATED CARD-BOARDS,

PATTERNS,

And everything in the line of

Crocheting and Embroidering

By which he is enabled to keep the best assorted stock in that line also.

Germantown Wool and Burlap Canvas.

In addition to the above, he keeps the best assortment of

CORSETS

Mrs. Moody's Abdominal Corset,

—AND—

FRENCH & DOMESTIC CORSETS

which are sold very cheap.

FANCY GOODS,

NOTIONS,

Ladies' White Underwear

—AND—

LINEN DRESSES,

All of which is sold cheaper than any lady can buy the material for. A good stock of

HOSIERY & GLOVES

A fine stock of

Fans, Parasols,

JEWELRY,

LACE HIRS, MACHINES, TIES, HAND-KECHMERS, COLLARS and CUFFS,

and everything in his line of goods is sold at the Lowest Prices.

Panniers and Bustles.

A Large Stock on hand and made to order.

GIVE HIM A CALL, AT

No. 8 Merchant Street.

M. GOLDBURG,

May 22, 1877—dtd

1877 SPRING 1877

DRY GOODS!

CARPETS!

Oil Cloths, Window Shades, Lace Curtains, Satin, Damask, etc., etc.

LINN & SCRUGGS

Are receiving and have on Sale all the Novelties in British and French

DRESS GOODS,

Embracing every Shade and Grade, and at lower rates than have been offered since the War. Also a New and Elegant Stock of

CARPETS.

As low in price as they can be had anywhere in the United States.

Decatur, March 15, 1877—dtd

A CALM!

Nothing bores one worse than to take up a newspaper with the intention of reading something and then find therein nothing but advertisements. There should be only items of interest (like this), as that is what we pay our nickel for. I have therefore taken my advertisement out of the papers to give you a rest—a calm. However, when you read advertisements of other shoe stores know this, and be sure that I always have the Largest Stock in the city and sell good

ROOTS and SHOES way down for cash.

LUTHER L. FERRISS,

No. 18 East Main Street, Decatur, Illinois.

July 10, 1877—dtd

J. H. LEWIS & CO.

—ARE OFFERING—

French, China, Tea & Dinner Sets

At Less Prices than Ever.

Decorated Dinner and Tea Sets in Parisian Porcelain; very desirable goods at reasonable prices.

Several new and handsome patterns of Dinner and Tea Ware, in iron stone china.

The largest stock of Croquet in the city at prices low enough to please almost any one.

Also, Parisian Porcelain Ware in white, either in full or partial sets.

FOR RENT.

A fine front room, suitable for office or sleeping purposes, directly over our store and overlooking the Park.

FOR SALE.

No. 1 BLACK WALNUT OFFICE DESK, with seven drawers and place for books. In first-class order.

J. H. LEWIS & CO.,

Opera House Block.

Decatur, July 11, 1877—dtd

OLD-FASHIONED

Squares her Soap is the most economical to use. It is made of the purest materials, and is the best for all purposes. It is sold in boxes of 100 and 500.

German Class.—Miss Anna Holt will give lessons in German, in the room over Keeler's hat store, (formerly E. Hughes' office). For particulars enquire at the rooms as above, from five to seven and a half o'clock, in the evening.

March 17—dtd

Immense Stock of gent's shoes, just received at Barber & Baker's. They will sell you good shoes for less money than they have ever been sold in this city before. (May 30 dtd)

Ladies, you can get spring shoes, at greatly reduced prices, at May 30 dtd

BARNETT & BAKER'S.

The Cheapest Hamburg Embroideries yet offered, just received by LINN & SCRUGGS.

March 10 dtd

CARPETS Within the past few days we have added largely to our stock of Brussels and Ingrain carpets, in new and handsome styles.

May 10 dtd

LINN & SCRUGGS.

The very best Sew

